
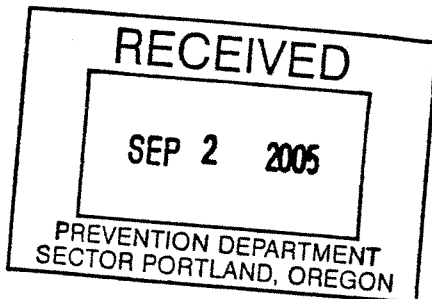


Statement of Jennifer A. Davis, BM3. 20 SEP 05

On 19 SEP 05 at approximately 1945 I, Jennifer Davis had a conversation with the Captain of Fish On Charters in the front passageway of Station Umpqua River, Winchester Bay, OR. The captain was trying to persuade Station Umpqua to change the bar report and allow the uninspected charter vessel Sydney Mae II (outside the bar at that time) to cross inbound. At that time the bar report passed by Surfman ,BMC Halstead, was 14'-16' breaking swells in all areas and the bar was restricted to all recreational and uninspected passenger carrying vessels. The captain proceeded to explain that the secondary boat captain for the Sydney Mae II and he had been observing the bar conditions for the past 4 hours and believed that conditions had calmed enough for safe passage. He informed me that his 30 years of being a surfer, working on the water and his close friendship with the Sydney Mae II's owner/operator, therefore knowing that persons boating skill, gave him enough confidence to come to us and talk about the bar restrictions. My response was to have him discuss the matter with BMC Halstead our Surfman trainer and the one responsible for the bar report in question. BMC Halstead was contacted by the communications watch stander and was present shortly after the captain of Fish On Charters began speaking to me. BMC Halstead then took over the conversation and I left the area. This statement is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.


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